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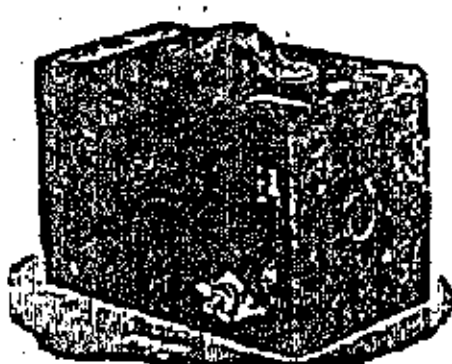
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BIRTHS.

On 12th March, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kuo, twin daughters.

On 13th March, at Soochow, the wife of Edward Piller, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On 20th February, at Thorn, Germany, Ludwig Gerschlager, of Shanghai, to MARGARETE Nuss, of Koenigsplatz, Brunswick.

DEATHS.

On 21st February, at San Francisco, ARTHUR HAMMOND WITT, of Shanghai, aged 32 years.

On 14th March, at Shanghai, HENRI VINAY, aged 62 years.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEX ROAD CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, MARCH 20TH, 1905.

Waiting confidentially, a correspondent reminds us that there used to be some talk of a Kowloon-Canton railway, and makes the excellent suggestion that it is time the Hongkong public should be informed what, if anything, is being done. So far as we can see, the British and Chinese Corporation seems to have shared the fate of STORMBIRN in the Norse saga—that of being scratched with the sleep-thorn. The best excuse we can offer for again referring to this thrice hackneyed theme is that as constant dropping wears away the stone, so constant reminders may stir up the apparently unconscious persons who have our commercial future in the hollow of their hand. To those who realise the importance of this matter, the subject can never appear tedious. Its importance was one of the first official admissions made by His Excellency the GOVERNOR; and in common with the business community of Hongkong, whose interests we have the best of reasons for espousing, we have, in season and out of season, repeatedly urged the need of action, and the dangers of delay. Various explanations of a most extraordinary delay have been forthcoming, but the time seems now to have come when none of these can reasonably be put forward again. One

thing that makes the occasion appear especially opportune is the very apparent keenness of the British Public to invest its capital in China. Our London correspondent's telegraphic account of the avidity with which the investing public rushed to subscribe to the recent Chinese Government loan is amply confirmed by the last mail papers from Home. So long as the investors at Home were attracted by South Africa as a lucrative field for the employment of British capital, the holders of the concession for the railway between Kowloon and Canton could plausibly plead the difficulty of negotiating a loan for the necessary funds. Such an excuse is to-day absurd, in face of the news with which everybody here is now familiar. The bonds of the Shanghai-Nanking railway are reported to be at a handsome premium, and the Kowloon-Canton railway is a much more attractive proposal. We may therefore without impropriety remind the Colonial Government, the local Chamber of Commerce, and the Hongkong branch of the China Association, that the present is a psychological moment when action taken by them would be likely to be most effective. The public is anxious to know what the concessionaries are doing; if nothing, why? If they intend to do anything; and if there is any alternative to the present very unsatisfactory state of things. Our correspondent, first referred to, holds the opinion that a sufficiently forceful representation, by His Excellency the GOVERNOR to the Home Government, of the pressing necessities of the business, would have a drastic effect. No doubt it would. Pressure of no light nature might be brought to bear upon the financial magnates who are gambling so easily with the destinies of this important colony. The weight of the influence of the Chamber of Commerce, added to such a representation, would also have great value just now; while if the China Association, through their London committee, were to co-operate with an urgent and timely appeal, the probability is that this pregnant scheme would immediately cease to be a byword and a cause of semi-humorous despair. It would certainly be worth trying, and the longer that such united efforts are put off, the greater and more formidable will the difficulties become. Already the Chinese prejudice against foreign capital in such connections is growing more pronounced, for reasons that are obvious. We may yet have to suffer for the sins of our neighbours, for the lesson of the Peking-Newchwang railway is as nothing to the warnings afforded by some of the other accomplished enterprises. The Chinese at Canton know that no political intrigue or ulterior design underlies the scheme under discussion; but Peking is easily come at, easily influenced, and there are those who view the rise and progress of Hongkong with no great favour. Thus, while our intentions toward China are of the most honourable nature, there is always a danger that the lapse of time, which is bringing embittering experiences to the authorities at Peking, might conceivably dispose them to mistrust even their best friends, and to increase the difficulties from which such enterprises have never been altogether free. The Cantonese would gain more than we by the opening of this line. The only thing that stands in the way appears to be the mysterious hope of the concessionaries for some uniquely favourable opening to introduce their business. The public has in the past been most reasonable and patient; but they cannot afford to watch the present golden opportunity being allowed to pass without any apparent effort to seize it. If the corporation is awake, we have a right to be shown some signs of life. If they are, as is feared, somewhat comatose, we would like to see restoratives administered in some such way as we have now suggested.

The captain of the French ship *Sully* has been exonerated for piling up that vessel on an uncharted rock. It is officially announced that Dr. F. Gröns has been appointed Assistant Health Officer of the Port vice Dr. A. F. Forster resigned. A Chinaman at Singapore committed suicide by cutting his throat with a piece of glass. Before he died, he explained that the soul of his dead wife had been troubling him. His Excellency the Governor has appointed Charles Manger Getting Burns to be a Member of the Committee for the Wong-nai-chong and Queen's Recreation Grounds, vice Edward James Grist resigned. It is notified that the new road with its branches through King's Park and leading from Hung Hom Road to Robinson Road is hereafter to be known as "Gascoigne Road." The branches are to be designated North and South respectively.

The Legislative Council at Singapore has introduced a bill to enable the local branch of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine to transact business without the disabilities otherwise incidental to its lack of a common seal.

The German steamer *Erna* struck an uncharted rock near Ceylon on her outward voyage and will probably go into dock in order that the extent of the damage may be ascertained.

The religious revival in Wales is reported to have made many defaulting Welsh debtors pay up outstanding accounts with interest. If the missionaries could only manage to bring about such a revival among the Chinese!

Four United States Senators, Emonson, French, Bunkers and Wright, are charged with receiving bribes of \$350 each from J. S. Jordan. It is said that the money was paid for the purpose of influencing legislation, the special charge being the guarantee of immunity for two building and loan associations.

The *Strait Times* published two pages and a half of discussion on the second reading of the Tanjong Pagar Docks Expropriation Bill, which (second reading) was carried. Elsewhere we publish a synopsis of the Company's views. The views of the Government may be sufficiently indicated by ignoring the negatives in that.

It is notified in the *Hongkong Government Gazette* that Dr. F. W. Clark has been appointed to act as Principal Civil Medical Officer, and that Dr. W. W. Pearce has been appointed to act as Medical Officer of Health. Mr. C. F. W. Bowen-Rowlands has been provisionally appointed Assistant Secretary of the Sanitary Board.

The time-keeper at the Cotton Mill at East Point, charged by the manager, Mr. A. Shaw, with inciting the Chinese employees to strike and quit work at the Mill on the 13th inst., was on Saturday bound over by Mr. Hazeland, in the sum of \$200, to be of good conduct for twelve months, and was warned not to go near the mills again or in any way incite the workers there.

His Excellency the Governor has amended the Grant Code for Hongkong schools by the addition of the following note to section 26b.—Note IV.—The course of instruction in all English schools should include the teaching of hygiene in the third and all higher standards; the text book to be the "Course of Hygiene for the use of Hongkong Schools" published by the Government of Hongkong.

Mr. Nielsen, local superintendent of the Great Northern Telegraph Co., states that the paragraph of news we quoted on Thursday from the Central News agency, to the effect that the Russians had commandeered the Siberian telegraphs one day last month, was quite untrue. He states that the service has never been interrupted or interfered with, save by storms. We have no hesitation in accepting Mr. Nielsen's statement, and hope readers will do so, too. The Home papers have never before been so much misled as during this war.

Mr. Arathoun Seth, Registrar of Companies, notifies that the names of the following companies have been struck off the Register:—Ching-Ginger Manufacturing Company, Limited, The Stoney Gold Prospecting Company, Limited, The Hongkong Marine, Limited, The Hong Sing Steamboat Company, Limited, The Ramia Fibre Company, Limited, The Wenhaiwei Mining Syndicate, Limited, The Hongkong Building Materials Company, Limited and The Shanghai Tug Boat Company, Limited.

About the suicide of Mr. Henri Vinay at Shanghai (which was recorded by a special telegram in the *Daily Press* on the 15th inst.) the *N.C. Daily News* says:—The deceased was found unconscious in his room at 43, Rue du Consulat, at a quarter past twelve on the 14th inst., with a bullet wound in the head, and the position of the body and the revolver indicate that he took his own life. He died early in the afternoon. The deceased was not in any monetary difficulties, and no reason can be assigned for his taking his own life. Mr. Vinay came out some thirty years ago to the Comptoir d'Escompte of which he was at one time acting manager here, and afterwards established himself as a bill and bullion broker. He was a very energetic man, and most courteous, and an accomplished pianist, always ready to play when asked privately or publicly, and his good nature and brightness of disposition made him popular among all classes of the community and all nationalities. His health has been very indifferent recently, and he had fits of despondency sometimes, but he was always genial and gay among his companions. He will be mourned and long remembered by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. He was unmarried.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The I.G.M.S. s.s. *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 28th Feb., left Colombo on Friday, p.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, a.m., the 29th inst.

The P.M. str. *China*, with mails, &c., which left hence Feb. 17th for San Francisco via Moa, &c., arrived at her destination on the 16th inst.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of Japan* left Yokohama on Friday, the 17th inst., p.m., for Vancouver.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Kaisan* left Singapore on the 17th inst. at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on the 22nd inst.

The P. & O. str. *Sindia* left Singapore for this port on Saturday, the 18th inst. at 5 p.m., and the outward English mail, and is due here on Friday next, the 24th inst. at 6 a.m.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

THE REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA.

POLICE FINDS AT MOSCOW.

LONDON, 19th March.

The police at Moscow have unearthed a revolutionary stronghold at Moscow.

Numerous infernal machines, bombs, and revolutionary documents were seized by them yesterday.

About three hundred persons were arrested in connection with the discovery.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY.

LONDON, 19th March.

Yesterday, Scotland's Rugby team beat England in the International Competition by a goal and a try to nil.

INTERNATIONAL "SOCCER."

LONDON, 19th March.

Scotland, four goals; Ireland, nil.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

GREAT STORMS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, 16th March.

Great storms have occurred in Great Britain, and the land telegraphs are interrupted.

H. McQueen Alexander, who is going on a visit to Portugal, was weather-bound for three days at Portsmouth.

THE WAR.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

KUROPATKIN'S SUCCESSOR.

LONDON, 19th March.

General Kuropatkin has been relieved of his command, and goes home at once.

General Linievitch is now Commander-in-Chief of the Russian forces in Manchuria.

[BY COURTESY OF THE JAPANESE CONSUL.]

FOLLOWING ON.

TOKYO, 18th March.

On Thursday, on the right bank of the Liao-ho, our detachment dispersed the artillery squadrons of the Russian right. We occupied the height north of Tieling and right Liao-ho, and cannonaded the retreating enemy, who consisted of one division and ten squadrons.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE BATTLE OF TIELING.

LONDON, 17th March.

Newspaper despatches received from St. Petersburg estimate the Russian casualties at the battle of Tieling at 19,000 and state that General Kuropatkin was obliged to abandon his stores and eighty guns.

KUROPATKIN'S DEPARTURE.

LONDON, 17th March.

It is reported that General Kuropatkin is already en route to St. Petersburg.

THE "KNIGHT COMMANDER" AFFAIR.

LONDON, 16th March.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Daily Chronicle* states that Great Britain has presented a Note to Russia demanding the payment of £100,000 compensation for the sinking of the S.S. *Knight Commander* by the Vladivostok Squadron in July last, and that she has instructed her Ambassador to back the claim in firm language. It is asserted that the sinking of the vessel was unprecedented and unjustified. Russia proposes arbitration.

GERMANY AND JAPAN.

LONDON, 16th March.

Count von Buelow, German Imperial Chancellor, speaking in the Reichstag, said that Japan knew she could count on Germany's strict and loyal neutrality, as well as Russia. Japan would respect accomplished facts and acquired rights in Asia.

BRITAIN'S COMPENSATION CLAIMS.

LONDON, 17th March.

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent wires that Russia is considering her reply to the British Note regarding the *Knight Commander* claim, and that she will not now suggest arbitration.

Heavy damages are also claimed by Great Britain for the loss of the s.s. *Hysung*.

A SENSIBLE RUSSIAN.

LONDON, 17th March.

A sensation has been caused at St. Petersburg by the publication of a newspaper article from the pen of Prince Meshchersky, one of the most influential of the reactionary party, urging the immediate conclusion of peace with Japan and saying:—"Our alternatives in a continuation of the war are without hope, and with the certainty of internal shipwreck, whereas the termination of the war would be followed by the salvation of our country through its renovation. The conditions obtainable now are better than they will be when Vladivostok and Saghalien are in the hands of the Japanese."

YACHTING.

The fourth race for the Governor's Cup, for English-rigged cruisers, took place on Saturday. The weather was very rough, and only one yacht (*Heide*, now the winner) went over the course around Futaba Island. She was sailed by Messrs. Kew and Shepherd. Some of the party on board were sea-sick.

Y.M.C.A. BILLIARDS.

Saturday's Y.M.C.A. billiard match, European Department v. Chinese Department, ended in a win for the former, the Chinese losing every game. Scores were as follows:—

European	Chinese
Saunders - 150	Mackenzie - 124
Ellis - 150	Tan Boon Leung - 65
Oxberry - 150	J. M. Wong - 136
Lo Breton - 150	Cheong Tsai - 130
Hamilton - 150	Mow Fung - 130

A match, 300 up, was afterwards played between Mr. Oxberry, winner of the European Department handicap tournament and Mr. Tan Boon Leung, the winner of the Chinese Department handicap tournament. Mr. Tan Boon Leung won, his opponent scoring 263.

THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather, over 50 members took part in the shooting at the 50 yards range at the King's Park on Saturday. His Excellency the Governor visited the range during the afternoon. The new short rifles were used by members for the first time and gave general satisfaction. The average per round was much higher than usual. The principal scores being as follows, out of a possible 35:—E. Dougherty 32.25, J. C. Gow 31.30, W. Goodfellow 31.25, W. B. Boyce 31, W. H. Wickham 30.25, H. W. Robertson 30.25, W. H. T. Davis 29.27, T. P. Cochrane 28.25, J. H. Pidgeon 28.25, J. J. Stabbings 28.21, E. A. Irving 28.21, P. N. H. Jones 28.20, W. Dobbs 28, W. L. Carter 27.27, A. W. Whitlow 26.21, A. G. Newington 26.22, A. J. Williams 25.23, J. Douglas 25.21, A. Brown 25.21, Rev. C. H. Hickling 24.23, E. W. Terry 24, W. T. Edwards 24.22, E. W. Dawson 24.20, T. Gray Scott 24, J. Whittall 23.22, Hon. F. H. May, 23.22, A. C. Macmillan 23.21, and H. W. Fraser 21.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

The rehearsal for the G.O.C.'s inspection took place on Saturday. The men, armed with new short rifles, paraded at Headquarters at 2.30 p.m. and marched to the Polo ground, where they were joined by eighteen members of the Volunteer Troop. Eight Maxims were manned. The annual inspection will take place at Headquarters next Saturday, the 25th inst., at two p.m.

The tie between Ganner Hayton and Gunner Penning for the Corps Championship will be fired at Tai-hang range at 4.30 this afternoon.

Messrs. E. W. H. James, W. P. Donaldson and T. A. Griffiths have joined the Volunteer Artillery. Bombardier C. H. Blason has resigned.

Messrs. N. J. Stabb and M. Stewart have joined the Volunteer Troop. Trooper J. Hastings has been granted leave of absence from the Colony for ten months. Trooper G. Marshall has resigned.

Provided at least fifty Volunteers signify their intention of joining, the proposed Volunteer Rifle Club will be started. It will, in such case, be decided at the next meeting whether the annual subscription be \$3 or \$5.

CEBU.

In the *Daily Press* of last Monday it was announced that a private telegram had been received in Hongkong saying that a very big fire had occurred at Cebu, P. I. Concerning this fire the *Manila Cablenews* says that Governor Juan Cismacel of Cebu estimated the total loss at P1,000,000. It is understood that most of this is covered by insurance. The business part of the city was almost totally destroyed. The fire is said to have started in the Chinese quarter. A message has been sent to Manila saying that godowns of Voloso were burned.

The Smith, Belland Company's and the Standard Oil Company's property had been saved, as well as the custom house. The places of business of Kuenzle and Streiff, the 20th Century Bazaar, J. H. Kipp and Company, Macleod and Company, and Richter and Company were destroyed, as were all buildings facing Calle Infanta Belasco de Guray, Alazaro, Nueva Victoria and Felipe II. Macleod and Company lost a fine warehouse and lamp valued at P180,000. Kerr and Company were also heavy losers, as were many Chinese firms who carried heavy stocks of merchandise.

SUPREME COURT.

Saturday, 18th March.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR H. S. BRIDGEMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

REFUSING BANISHMENT.

Chang Mun was charged with refusing the order of banishment that had been made. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C. (Attorney General), instructed by Mr. Morrell (of the Crown Solicitor's office), prosecuted. The prisoner, who pleaded not guilty, was not legally defended. The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. J. D. Kinnaird, C. L. Bruckner, J. Bonjain, P. W. White, L. P. Glessman, C.M.G. Barrie and D. Dana. On the 7th January prisoner was discharged from Victoria Gaol, where he had been imprisoned for larceny. Shortly afterwards the Governor in Council made an order for the man to be banished. Prisoner was taken to a Canton steamer but returned, and was re-arrested on the 22nd January.

Prisoner was found guilty. His Lordship said:—"We do not want men of your description in the Colony. After being ordered to depart therefrom and remain there out for five years you returned, and are liable to imprisonment. I am going to send you to prison with hard labour, and you will be banished again. China is a vast country, and there is plenty of room for you to look for work there. One year's hard labour."

The Court was adjourned till Monday. The remaining cases on the Calendar are as follows:—Three men charged with wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm. Armed robbery (two men). Armed robbery (three men). The *King George* case.

NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA.

GENERAL AND EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

The fourteenth annual general meeting of the National Bank of China, Limited, was held at the head office, Victoria Buildings, on Saturday. Mr. C. Ewens presided and there were also present Messrs. G. C. Moxon, Kwan Fong Fui (directors), G. W. F. Playfair (General Manager), P. C. Potts, J. S. Joseph, A. R. Lowe, E. D. Haskell, Fung Wei Chiu, Woo Yik Tai, Kuo Sheng, Tung Hoi and others.

The CHAIRMAN said:—"GENTLEMEN, I have now to submit to you for adoption the report and accounts for the past year made up on the basis of the reduction of capital to £5 paid up, which was passed by you in September last and sanctioned by the Court in London on the 14th February with the usual proviso that we should bear the title of reduced for one month, which expired on the 14th instant. You will see from the accounts that the net profits amounted to \$114,298.51. Your directors have, however, considered it prudent to strengthen the reserve fund, particularly as it may be desirable to increase our capital either by calling up the balance of £2 per share or of asking you to subscribe for a further issue of shares. What we propose is to send a circular to the shareholders here and elsewhere asking them to state their views in writing so that in arriving at a decision the board may know that they are acting in accordance with a majority of the shareholders. This plan will enable us to arrive at a better decision than can be attained at this meeting, at which the large section of Home shareholders cannot express their opinion. In view of the approaching departure on leave of our Chief Manager, the board have appointed one of their number, Mr. G. C. Moxon, to be Managing Director. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I will be glad to answer any question which shareholders may desire to put."

There being no questions I beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. G. C. Moxon seconded the proposition, and it was carried.

Mr. J. S. JOSEPH proposed, and it was seconded and carried that the alteration on the Board be confirmed, and that Mr. J. Scott Harston be re-elected a Director and Mr. Horace Meentze be elected on the London Committee.

Mr. POTTIS proposed, Mr. E. D. HASSELL seconded, and it was carried that Mr. A. R. Lowe, C.A., and Mr. I. E. Bingham, F.I.A. (N.Z.) be appointed auditors, and that Messrs. Deloitte, Dyer, Griffiths and Co., re-appointed auditors in London.

An extraordinary meeting followed for the purpose of considering the following resolution:—"That Article 115 of the Articles of Association be altered in the following manner:—i.e., the word 'three' shall be substituted for the word 'ten' in the third line of that Article, and the word 'two' shall be substituted for the word 'three' in the fourth line of that Article."

The Chairman moved the adoption of the resolution without comment. Mr. G. C. Moxon seconded, and it was adopted.

The CHAIRMAN.—A confirmatory meeting will be held this day three weeks, of which notice will be given.

That is all the business. Thank you for your attendance.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 19th at 1.10 p.m.—Yesterday afternoon pressure remained high over N. China and gradients continued rather steep with fresh to strong monsoon along the coast and along the Northern shores of the China Sea.

Forecast.—fresh N.E. winds; rainy with thunder.

No returns whatever have been received this morning.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED.

The report of the board of directors to be presented at the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the company's hotel, at 12.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 28th March, is as follows:—

Gentlemen,—In accordance with Section 58 of the Articles of Association, the Directors now beg to submit their Report for the half-year ended 31st December, 1904.

The Profit on Working Account amounted to \$89,326.25 as compared with \$78,424.49 for the corresponding period of 1903, showing an increase of \$10,901.76.

The Profit and Loss Account, including the sum of \$11,688.66 brought forward from 30th June, 1904, shows a credit balance of \$88,876.58, which the Directors recommend should be apportioned as follows:—

To pay a Dividend of 10 per cent. for the half-year ... \$60,000.00
To write off from value of Furniture and Fixtures ... 12,092.92
To transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account ... 10,000.00
To write off from value of Steam Launch ... 2,000.00
To write off from value of Electric Plant ... 1,228.74
To carry forward to new Account ... 3,554.92

\$88,876.58

Mr. E. Osborne retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election. Mr. R. C. Wilcox has been granted twelve months' leave of absence.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe, C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

W. HURTON POTTS, Chairman.

The accounts are as follows:—

BALANCE SHEET, 31st December, 1904.

LIABILITIES.

Capital—12,000 shares at \$50 each (fully paid-up) ... \$600,000.00

1,000 mortgage debentures (5 per cent.) authorised issue, at \$500 each ... \$500,000.00

Less 270 ditto held by the Company ... 135,000.00

Reserve fund, as per last account ... 365,000.00

Sundry creditors ... 35,479.00

Unclaimed dividends ... 6,787.00

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (current account) ... 77,407.00

Profit and loss account, balance as per statement ... 88,876.58

\$1,273,639.57

ASSETS.

Value of land and buildings as per last report—

Marine Lot No. 5 and remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 3 ... \$372,045.00

Remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 7 ... 398,108.20

Prize redemption—cost of land ... 22,200.42

Now building on reclamation, payments on account ... 258,256.02

Cost of three Chinese Houses on sections B, C and D of inland Lot No. 80 ... 33,000.00

Value of furniture and fixtures, as per last account ... 67,207.49

Less written off as per last report ... 7,307.49

Since added ... 60,900.00

2,092.92

Installation of electric light \$5,228.74

Less account from special reserve fund ... 20,000.00

31,228.74

Stock of linen, crockery and glassware, &c. ... 41,683.60

Stock of wines, provisions, household sundries and stationery, as per inventories ... 31,576.49

Shares in public companies ... 5,796.31

Licenses attaching to 1905 ... 2,008.67

Value of steam launch as per last report ... 7,000.00

Sundry debtors ... 32,845.05

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (unclaimed dividends account) ... 6,787.00

Cash in hand ... 182.55

\$1,273,639.57

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the six months ending 31st December, 1904.

To had debts and refunds ... 174.85

To crown rent ... 602.40

To rates ... 2,103.30

To fire insurance ... 2,837.89

To debenture int. on \$500,000 at 3 per cent. ... 15,000.00

To less returned on debentures held by the company ... 4,820.87

To interest account ... 10,389.13

To directors and auditors' fees ... 1,938.65

To repairs and renewals ... 3,200.00

To balance to be appropriated as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 10 per cent. ... \$60,000.00

To transfer to repairs and renewals account ... 10,000.00

To write off from value of furniture and fixtures ... 12,092.92

To write off from value of steam launch ... 2,000.00

To write off from value of electric installation ... 1,228.74

To carry forward to new account ... 3,554.92

\$88,876.58

\$111,422.57

By balance from 30th June, 1904 \$88,876.58

Less dividend at 10 per cent. ... \$60,000.00

Less transfer to repairs and renewals account ... 10,000.00

Less written off from value of furniture and fixtures account ... 7,207.49

By rents of shops and offices, old building ... 3,729.00

By rents of shops and offices, new building ... 2,573.47

By dividends on shares in public companies ... 9,883.47

By scrip and transfer fees ... 42.00

By bad debts recovered ... 25.20

By profit on hotel working account for the six months ending 31st Dec., 1904 ... 89,326.25

\$111,422.57

REPAIRS AND RENEWALS ACCOUNT.

For the Six Months ending 31st December, 1904.

To payments on account of repairs and renewals during the half-year ending 31st December, 1904 ... \$12,092.92

By balance from last account ... 1,824.75

Transfer from profit and loss account, as recommended in last Report ... 10,000.00

Profit and loss account ... 574.77

\$12,092.92

CANTON'S TAOIST TEMPLE.

Mr. J. J. Ball last evening spoke on Taoism at the Y.M.C.A. rooms. In the course of his lecture he described Canton's Taoist Temple, saying that to get some idea of Taoism it was only necessary to go into a large Taoist temple, such as that at Canton. "You will explore building after building arranged in that loose sequence which Chinese public buildings afford—main halls separated by open courts in front and open spaces behind them, and joined by corridors or cloisters on both sides of the grassy or paved courts. There are these main halls and a number of subsidiary buildings as well, or side halls. Here will be found one dedicated principally to the worship of Kuan Fa, the tutelary goddess of women and children and here also is enshrined with a number of her attendants. In another building is a shrine to the Monkey God. Here in yet another part of the temple are the sixty gods who preside over the sixty years of the Chinese cycle. In another part is a god with a horse. His face is smeared about the mouth with a black substance which it appears is opium, for this god is fond of opium. One of the main buildings is taken up with the Five Genii. These appeared in the early days of the history of the city riding on five vases, which animals are to be seen to this day in front of the idols representing the five genii. But they are now stone, into which the vases were changed when the genii disappeared. The Three Pure Ones also are not absent, other gods are represented in different places, and here in one place is a hollow in a rock, nine feet by five, the impress of a genie's foot. Here again we see a straight tall palm tree, shooting up like a graceful column crowned with a tufted top, an object of worship. "The heart" of this tree is straight. Little paper images roughly cut out and almost too rude in style to be accepted by one of our children are stuck on the tree as charms. Even this does not exhaust the list of all that is to be found in such a temple—charms, superstitions, legends, deification of men and women, gods dragged down to delight in the vices of men, prayers, incantations, divining the will of the gods and peering into futurity."

THE SINGAPORE DOCK CO. AND EXPROPRIATION.

The Free Press publishes a very long letter from the chairman to the London Consulting Committee of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, to the Under Secretary of State.

In it Mr. W. G. Gulland deals with a despatch from the Straits Secretary of State, a copy of which had been supplied him. He says many of the arguments in that despatch were "contrary to fact." The property had been belittled, carelessly and without any pretence of enquiry. The Company was not blind to its responsibilities. They did not think only of dividends. It was untrue that "parsonage was the policy of the shareholders for the attainment of a dividend that would tell in the event of expropriation." An honest endeavour had been made to keep the enterprise ahead of its work. The shareholders had denied themselves to do so, "of over \$500,000 a year." They could have had \$1,000,000 a year to divide, instead of the paltry \$444,000 they had contented themselves with. The Government's offer of \$240 a share must have been based on the impression that the \$444,000 divided annually represented the whole yearly earnings. There had been dissensions, but not about dividends. It began about the appointment of a managing director who could give his whole time to the development of the enterprise. The Home Board, and absentee shareholders, did not dominate the Company's policy. The Straits Secretary was wrong in suggesting that they did not cope with all the trade. It was true they were a monopoly, but that was because they had absorbed, and used, almost all the available resources. They could now deal with 2,332,000 tons in the half year, as against 57,000 tons when they began. If the enlargements now contemplated had been begun five years ago, there might have been no provision for the ever increasing depth of draught, as now. It was the duty of the Treasury that the graving dock for the navy, agreed upon seven years ago, was not made. It would not ratify the agreement then made, after long negotiations. The Company's credit to-day was stronger than ever, and it did not depend on the loan from Government that was asked for. They hoped to get it on terms that would accelerate the completion of the work; but failing that, they had made all arrangements for the money. The Straits Secretary was wrong in supposing they would find it onerous to finance the scheme. They had already decided upon the scheme, they had entered into negotiations for the P. & O. and St. James' properties to replace the facilities temporarily lacking during the reconstruction. It was never intended to do the work out of resources, and so to take thirty years. The Secretary of State had quite misunderstood a reference to the control that would be vested in the Government by acquiring ten thousand shares. Each share carried a vote, and not 500 only for the whole 10,000, as he had mentioned. The Governor and Secretary in firing the premises of former issues leaves no hope of any means of arbitration. The "indisputably great value" required an award nearer "their legitimate expectations."

POLICE REPORTS FOR 1904.

The report of the Captain Superintendent of Police for 1904 is published in the current Hongkong Government Gazette. Here are extracts:—

The total of all cases reported to the Police was 11,812, as against 11,521 in 1903, being an increase of 291, or 2.5 per cent. In the division of these cases into serious and minor offences, there appears a decrease, as compared with 1903, of 1,330 cases, or 27.35 per cent. in the former, and an increase of 1,890 cases, or 29.57 per cent. in the latter. The decrease, as compared with 1903, in serious offences of 1,330 is shown as follows:—

Murder ... 4

Robbery ... 45

Burglary or Larceny in dwelling ... 107

Unlawful possession ... 99

Larcenies ... 943

Felonies not already given ... 173

Total ... 1,371

Deduct increase in Kidnapping and Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance ... 41

Total ... 1,330

During the year, three Europeans and 21 Indians obtained certificates for knowledge of Chinese. 12 Indians and 3 Chinese obtained certificates for English.

The house lately known as the Bay View Hotel, which was formerly Whitfield Police Station, was re-occupied by Police on the 2nd December and is now called Bay View Station. No. 3 Station on Queen's Road East was at the same time vacated. In September the work of adding a story to the Central Station was commenced and is now nearly completed.

The conduct of the contingent on the whole was excellent, as nearly all the serious offences were committed by a small number of men who have since been dismissed. There are very few men in the contingent now whose conduct is not entirely satisfactory, and the general morale is, I think, higher than I have ever known it before. Forty-five Europeans were engaged during the year, 17 were recruited in England, and 28 enlisted locally. Of these 28, 10 resigned and one was dismissed. Out of a draft of 12 recruits (members of the R.N. Reserve) who were sent out from Home in August, four turned out very bad bargains and had to be dismissed.

The following return shows the strength of the contingent and casualties in the Force during 1904:—

Nation. Strength. En-ments. Deaths. Dismissals. Total.

Europeans ... 133 ... 3 ... 23 ... 133

Indians ... 375 ... 91 ... 4 ... 375

Chinese ... 485 ... 227 ... 3 ... 485

Total ... 993 ... 325 ... 149 ... 993

The number 993 includes the police paid for by other departments and private firms, and also the engineers, coxswains, and stokers, but is exclusive of:—1 Captain Superintendent, 1 Deputy Superintendent, 2 Assistant Superintendents, 1 Accountant, 1 Clerk and Headmaster Interpreter, three clerks, 5 Telephone Clerks and 75 Coolies.

THE NEW TERRITORY.

The year 1904 started with a somewhat serious increase in crimes of violence in the New Territory, necessitating a temporary increase in the Police for the Ping Shan and Sheung Shui Districts. The crimes were of the usual type, i.e., armed robberies, and in one case the robbery was accompanied by murder. A noticeable feature of these crimes was that they were committed well within British Territory and not only on the border. This state of affairs only lasted, however, until the Chinese New Year, when matters resumed their normal aspect. The extra Police were dispensed with at the end of March. From that time on until September, nothing of importance took place. In that month there were three armed robberies, two in one night on the island of Ping Chau in Mirs Bay, which is naturally some what exposed, and one off Tai Long, Sai Kung district. With the exception of a few robberies on a small scale in the exposed Luk Yauk district there was no serious crime up to the end of the year, and the cold weather did not bring the usual number of robberies in its train. Among the minor offences there was a number of cases of "receiving property" chiefly cattle stolen in Chinese Territory. In all cases convictions were obtained and in most of them the cattle seized were returned to the lawful owners. Two men captured in possession of stolen cattle were apparently robbers from over the border. One was afterwards extradited at the request of the Chinese Authorities. Three cases of harbouring married women, brought before the Magistrate, resulted in convictions, which have considerably lessened this form of offence. During the latter part of the year recrudescence of tree cutting gave the Police a good deal of extra work. This was due to the fact that the people did not understand the rights which the new forestry licenses, issued during the year, gave them. Now, however, though promiscuous tree cutting has not entirely stopped, it has been checked to a great extent.

The proposal to build a small Station on the frontier near Lok Fong with the object of protecting the Luk Yauk District more effectively has now been realised. The Station is not completed, but should be ready in a very short time. Four Indian Police with an Indian Sergeant in charge encamped near the Station. As by far the largest number of robberies in the past have taken place in the Sub-district (owing to its isolation) the existence of the new Police Station should guarantee a large decrease in crime in this quarter.

On the whole, the past year may be considered a good one in the New Territory, not only from

the point of view of the Police but generally speaking also. The increasing prosperity of the people is shown by the large increase in the number of houses in nearly all the villages. Both crops of padi were good. The people appear contented and well pleased with the greater security they now enjoy. They also appear more ready to assist the Police in checking crime by giving information. A change too is noticeable in their attitude in connection with public works undertaken by the Government. Formerly it was impossible to get anything done locally. But recently when the Government proposed to pay small sums to the owners of certain villages if they would undertake road repairs, they at once entered into the scheme, and the result has been extremely satisfactory. There are now two good roads joining on to the main Tai Po Road—one to Sheung Shui and one to Shun Wan in Flower Cove. The system might well be extended as the old roads in the Territory are at present in very bad repair and greatly hamper the Police both in patrolling at night and in following up criminals. In conclusion I would add that the Yau Fa in charge of the troops on the Chinese border has given the Police valuable assistance throughout the past year in checking crime in the border districts of the New Territory.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. V UNITED SERVICES.

Played on the H.K.C.C. Ground on Saturday afternoon, this match ended in an easy win for the "United Services." The conditions as may be imagined, were anything but agreeable. It is possible that this match will conclude the H.K.C.C. season. Scores were as follows:—

H.K.C.C. ... 15

C. H. Mackay, b. Pelly ... 4

William Dixon, b. Pelly ... 7

R. H. Phelps, not out ... 0

R. Hancock, b. Pelly ... 0

T. Sercombe Smith, (capt.), b. Pelly ... 7

W. Daniel, b. Pelly ... 0

R. Hancock, b. Pelly ... 0

W. O. Furness, b. Pelly ... 0

J. T. Dixon, not out ... 14

R. E. O. Bird, b. Pelly ... 14

Extras ... 3

Total ... 145

UNITED SERVICES.

Major Pelly, (capt.), b. W. O. ... 30

W. O. Furness, b. Pelly ... 47

Lt. Barker, R.N., not out ... 7

Lt. Heath, 110th M.H. (capt.), not out ... 44

Com. Benckiser, R.N., not out ... 11

Extras ... 9

Total ... 149

Eng.-Lt. de Paris, R.N., Surgeon Hordley, R.N., Lieut. Benckiser, R.N., A. N. Humphreys, R.N., Mr. Pedersen, R.N., and Mr. Matthews, R.N., did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

UNITED SERVICES.

Gibson ... 20 ... 8 ... 54 ... 3

Pelly ... 14 ... 1 ... 72 ... 7

Heath ... 5 ... 16 ... 16 ... 1

H.K.C.C.

J. T. Dixon ... 8 ... 1 ... 27 ... 1

Wm. Daniel ... 15 ... 4 ... 34 ... 1

R. E. O. Bird ... 2 ... 13 ... 13 ... 1

C. H. Mackay ... 10 ... 1 ... 34 ... 2

T. Sercombe Smith ... 2 ... 20 ... 20 ... 1

Extras ... 2 ... 20 ... 20 ... 1

Total ... 64

KOWLOON C.C. V A.O.C.

The Kowloonites won this match by 34 runs. For Kowloon, Burd put up the useful score of 49, while for the A.O.C., Davis 15 was the top scorer. Five of the Kowloon wickets fell before the bowling of Davis, and five before the trundling of Bradford. Of the A.O.C. wickets Lamson took five, Dixon three and Horton two. Scores:—

KOWLOON.

Lt. Burd, ran out, b. Davis ... 49

Lt. Dixon, b. Davis ... 8

Capt. Bush, b. Davis ... 0

Lt. Blaney, b. Davis ... 7

Lt. Lamson, b. Davis ... 10

Lt. Burd, not out ... 3

P. Moss, b. Bradford ... 0

E. R. Horton, b. Bradford ... 0

Pt. Griffiths, not out ... 1

Corporal Bradford, b. Lamson ... 0

Pt. Smith, b. Lamson ... 0

Pt. Griffiths, not out ... 3

T. H. May, b. Bradford ... 0

Extras ... 14

Total ... 58

A.O.C.

Major Williamson, b. Dixon ... 0

S. M. Webb, b. Lamson ... 7

Capt. Dixon, b. Lamson ... 15

Lt. Doran, b. Robinson, b. Lamson ... 12

Corporal Legrove, b. Dixon ... 0

Lt. O'Brien, b. Horton ... 0

M. Armstrong, b. Lamson ... 0

Pt. Griffiths, not out ... 1

Corporal Bradford, b. Lamson ... 0

Pt. Smith, b. Lamson ... 0

M. G. Edwards, not out, b. Horton ... 10

Extras ... 6

Total ... 64

POLICE V CRAIGSGOWER.

The above match was played on Saturday last at the Happy Valley, and ended in a win for Craigsower by 15 runs. Scores:—

CRAIGSGOWER.

J. D. Kinnaird, b. Shepherd ... 3

J. L. Stuart, b. Shepherd, b. Lander ... 28

A. O. Brown, b. Shepherd ... 6

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NOTICE.

THE SEVENTH DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club, \$100 each, was held in the Hongkong Club House, on SATURDAY, the 18th inst., when the following Debentures were drawn for redemption:

45	435	787	1117	1562
87	451	800	124	1642
104	478	840	101	1835
292	522	854	123	1792
310	543	863	126	1831
324	546	883	126	1834
355	682	912	127	1868
365	668	929	133	1893
375	679	931	134	1924
383	691	999	141	1928
396	703	1016	142	1939
401	716	1051	153	1937
406	719	1084	156	1957

and will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on the 31st day of March, 1905, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order, C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. [257]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship "HAIKUN," Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above port TO-SWATOW, 20th inst., at 1 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAURENCE & CO., Managers.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. [758]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"OANFA,"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged in full, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown or Godown on and after the 18th inst.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 a.m. on the 19th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 28th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [9-10]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLEBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON AND PORTS.

THE Bucknall Line Steamship

"BEIRA,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., To-day, the 18th inst.

Goods not cleared before the 25th inst., will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same sent to this Office before the 28th inst., or claims in connection therewith will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1905. [759]

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SLAVONIA,"

Captain Madsen, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Underwriter and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day, the 19th inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1905. [760]

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Grand Production of

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TUESDAY, MARCH 21st.

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Plan at ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.

Prices as usual.

Late Train 15 minutes after the Performance.

FRED. C. GARTON, Business Manager.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. [682]

ROYAL ENGINEERS THEATRE.

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THE ROYAL ENGINEER VARIETY CLUB

Will give DRAMATIC, VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL

ENTERTAINMENTS

TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY.

20th, 21st and 22nd March, 1905.

STAFF NIGHT on TUESDAY, MARCH 21st.

Under the Distinguished Patronage and Presence of H.E. the G.O.C. C.R.E. and Officers R.E.

Plan of Seats for TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, may be seen and tickets obtained at R.E. Sergeants' Mess from Q.M.S. Hunt R.E. and S.S. Mess R.E. or at the Doors on the nights of Performances.

Plan of Seats for "Staff Night" TUESDAY, 21st, may be seen and tickets obtained at R.E. Officer's Mess, Headquarters Offices.

Prices of Admission MONDAY and WEDNESDAY, 20th and 22nd March:—Reserved and numbered Chairs, Rows A, B & C \$1; ditto, D, E, F & G, 75 cts.; Back Seats 50 cts.

On STAFF NIGHT Tuesday, 21st March:—Reserved and numbered Chairs, Rows A to G \$2; Back Seats (at the doors) 50 cts.

Doors open at 8.20 P.M. Commence at 8.30 P.M.

Chairs may be ordered for 11 P.M.

GOD SAYS THE KING.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [741]

Under the Patronage of H.E. the GOVERNOR.

CITY HALL.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

MR. EDWARD BRANSCOMBE'S

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FOUR CONCERTS ONLY.

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LONDON CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS.

Box Office Robinson Piano Co. Prices \$3, 2 & 1. Concert 9-11 P.M. Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [694]

HONGKONG CHESS CLUB.

A KNOCK-OUT HANDICAP TOURNAMENT is to be held. Entries, which must be accompanied by \$1 Entrance Fee, close to the undersigned on the 31st March.

THOMAS SWABY, Hon. Secretary.

Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1905. [747]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.

GOODS received on storage in the Wanchoi Storing Company's Godown at Wanchoi.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [731]

NOTICE.

MR. FREDERICK SALINGER will sign our Firm per Procuration during the absence from the Colony of Mr. H. E. TOMKINS.

REISS & CO.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [680]

WANTED.

A ASSISTANT.

Apply to—

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Hongkong, 8th March, 1905. [646]

SHORTHAND.

PRIVATE LESSONS given in Pitman's Shorthand. Terms moderate.

Apply by letter to—

"J. W."

P. O. Box 143.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [290]

FOR SALE.

LAUNCH "DAKIN" recently overhauled by the Dock Company.

Apply—

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1905. [702]

FOR SALE.

JUNK-BOAT HOUSEBOAT "DASWIN."

For particulars, apply to—

P. M. HEATH,

110th Light Infantry, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1905. [703]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-DAY (MONDAY),

the 20th MARCH, 1905, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s Godown, No. 1, at Kowloon,

THE FOLLOWING

MANCHESTER FANCY PIECE GOODS.

14 Cases CASHMERE;

7 Cases SHIRTING PRINTS;

33 Cases WHITE SHIRTINGS.

Also

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY),

the 21st instant, at Noon, at the AUCTION

3 Cases SHIRTING PRINTS.

TERMS of SALE.—Cash on delivery. All lots with all faults and errors of description at purchaser's risks on the fall of the hammer.

V. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [738]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 20th day of MARCH, 1905, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Barker Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 3 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King for one further term of 75 years.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale, Boundary Measurements, Content in Acres, and Approximate Area.

Lot No. 121, Barker Road, 1904, 240 ft. by 125 ft. 55, 29,410 sq. ft. 5,450

Public Auction.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the OFFICIAL RECEIVER in BANKRUPTCY, to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 22nd MARCH, 1905, at 11 A.M., at Hor Yick's Godowns, West Point,

The following Merchandise:—

No. 1 Godown—373 Pieces COPPER, 350 Bags RANGON BEANS, 111 Bags COFFEE, 250 Bags SUGAR, 250 Bags DARK BROWN SUGAR.

No. 2 Godown—5 Bags BLACK PEPPER, No. 6 Godown—7,200 SMALL WOOD STICKS.

No. 7 Godown—587 Bags STARCH FLOUR, 64 Bags RANGON BEANS, 52 Bags COWS HIDE GLUE.

No. 8 Godown—8 Bags BLACK PEPPER, 90 Bags GROUND NUT (no Skin), 71 Baskets BLACK JAVA SUGAR, 194 Bags RANGON WHEAT.

No. 9 Godown—174 Bags BLACK PEPPER, 222 Bags GROUND NUT (with Skin).

No. 10 Godown—1,327 Bags GROUND NUT, 30 Bales TOBACCO LEAVES, 36 Bags CIGARETTE MEDICINES.

222 Bags LIGHT BROWN SUGAR, 57 Bags GLUTINOUS RICE.

No. 11 Godown—327 Bags SUGAR CANDY.

TERMS.—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [737]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 22nd MARCH, 1905, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Godowns of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Yauwatt,

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

About 1,200 Tons MOJI LUMP COAL in Lots of 100 Tons.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [738]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 22nd MARCH, 1905, commencing at 2.45 P.M., at No. 13, KNIGHTFORD TERRACE, Kowloon, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

(Particulars from Catalogue).

TERMS.—As Customary.

On View from Tuesday, the 21st March, 1905.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [720]

PURE FRESH WATER.

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER-BOAT CO., LD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY OF PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Boilers.

Call Phg W.

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1st Floor, 37, Connaught Road.

Hongkong, 19th June, 1903.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL, on TUESDAY, the 28th March, 1905, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company for the 31st December, 1904, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd to the 28th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [735]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, on THURSDAY, the 23rd March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [620]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

BRIMA, British str., 1,250, D. M. Gann, 18th March, Singapore 1st Mar. General.
 Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
 CARL DREIBACH, German str., 774, H. Schallert, 18th March, Hongkong 15th March, General. Johnson & Co.
 CHUYEN, Chinese str., 1,177, Chas. Stewart, 18th March, Shanghai 16th Mar. General.
 Chinese.
 FERNDESE, British str., 2,447, R. J. Fisher, 18th March, Rangoon 5th March, Rice.
 Order.
 HAINAN, British str., 636, A. J. Robson, 19th March, Swatow 18th March, General.
 Douglas Lapaik & Co.
 HANGCHOW, British str., 19th March, from Canton.
 HIN-ANG, British str., 1,355, W. S. Sawyer, 18th March, Saigon 13th March, Rice.
 Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 JACON DREIBACH, German str., 623, B. Olsen, 18th March, Haiphong and Hanoi 17th Mar. General. Johnson & Co.
 KOREA, American str., 5,651, W. B. Sashy, 18th March, San Francisco, 15th Feb. General. P. M. S. S. Co.
 LOOSOK, German str., 1,020, G. Schultze, 18th March, Bangkok via Kohatung 8th March, Rice and Teakwood. Butterfield & Swire.
 NEDER, British str., 2,095, J. P. Turner, 17th March, Moji 12th March, Coal. Shawan, Tomes & Co.
 PAKLAT, German str., 1,018, H. Dumes, 18th March, Bangkok 11th March, Rice and Wood. Butterfield & Swire.
 RHEINIA, German str., 6,416, J. Behrens, 18th March, Shanghai 16th March, General. Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
 SLOVANIA, German str., 3,206, L. Madson, 19th March, Hamburg 20th Jan. General.
 Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
 TEAN, British str., 1,316, A. Somerville, 18th March, Manila 15th March, General. Butterfield & Swire.
 TOLOSAN, German str., 2,090, Rose, 18th March, Saigon 6th March, Cement and Coal. Johnson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 18th March.
 BEIRA, British str., for Yokohama.
 HONGKONG, British str., for Amoy.
 HUE, French str., for Kwangchow.
 PLEASANT, American str., for Manila.
 ST. LOUIS, French ship, for Saigon.
 WONGHAI, German str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

18th March.
 BANGKOK, British str., for Yokohama.
 CEYLON, British str., for Shanghai.
 LABETTES, British str., for Saigon.
 TAIWAN, British str., for Amoy.
 TIENTSIN, Dutch str., for Batavia.
 ZAVIRO, British str., for Manila.
 19th March.
 BORNEO, British str., for Koba.
 B. JOHNSON, Norwegian str., for Tamsui.
 CHUNSON, British str., for Swatow.
 FERNDESE, British str., for Yokohama.
 PAKNAM, German str., for Bangkok.
 CANPA, British str., for Tamsui.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese str. Chinguen reports: Fresh to strong N.E. monsoon, heavy rain, and thunderstorms.
 The British str. Hainan reports: Fine and clear till within 24 hours of Hongkong; thence high sea and strong easterly wind.
 The British str. Neddes reports: Fresh to moderate N. and N.E. winds, more or less rain and moderately rough sea throughout.
 The British str. Hainan reports: Strong monsoon, moderate sea, fine clear weather up till Pedro Blanco; thence foggy and light wind.
 The German str. Tolosan reports: During the first 6 days, after leaving Saigon fine weather and fair wind, the day before arriving Hongkong very stormy and foggy.
 The German str. Loosok reports: From Kohatung to the Paucels Island fine weather with light southerly winds; from there to port strong E. and N.E. winds with rough sea.
 The British str. Tean reports: Moderate southerly winds and smooth sea until midnight on Thursday, when wind shifted to the N.E.; strong and heavy sea and swell, foggy approaching land.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

18th March.
 ANDERSEN DOCKS.—Signal, Belgian King.
 Kowloon Dock.—S. Calais, Clara Johnson, West.
 China Dock.—U.S.S. Calais, Clara Johnson, West.
 Cosmopolitan Dock.—Clavering.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

SHEWAN, TOMES & COMPANY.

FOR KOBE.

THE Steamship
 "HUGIN,"
 will be despatched for the above port TO-
 DAY, the 20th inst., at 4 P.M.
 For Freight, apply to
 SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 15th March, 1905. 753

FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship
 "RHEINIA,"
 Captain Behrens, will be despatched for the
 above ports TO-MORROW, the 21st inst., at
 Noon.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
 Hongkong Office.
 Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. 728

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON,
 SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
 COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN,
 EGYPT, MARSEILLES,
 LONDON, HAVRE, BOR-
 DEAUX, MEDITERRA-
 NEAN AND BLACK SEA
 PORTS.
 THE Steamship
 "OCEANIE,"
 Captain Oliver, will be despatched for MAR-
 SEILLES on TUESDAY, the 21st March,
 at 1 P.M.
 Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading
 issued for above ports.
 Cargo also booked for principal places in
 Europe.
 Next sailing will be as follows:
 S.S. "TOURANE" ... 4th April.
 S.S. "TONKIN" ... 18th April.
 S.S. "DUMBEA" ... 2nd May.
 L. BELINCO,
 Acting Agent.
 Hongkong, 8th March, 1905. 72

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.
 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.
 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP.	MERIONETHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	C. H. Burch	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 20th inst.
LONDON, &c., via PORTS OF CALL.	MALTA	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP.	BENGLOR	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Babat, R.N.R.	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	MALACCA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 29th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	ACHILLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	MACHON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th April.
MARSEILLES, &c., via PORTS OF CALL.	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Noon.
BREMEN, via PORTS OF CALL.	OCCEANUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-morrow, at 1 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	P. R. LOITFOLD	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	MELCHERS & CO.	On 24th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SCANDIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEBASTIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEBASTIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 16th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEBASTIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 18th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEBASTIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 30th May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.	ALCANTARA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th April.
TRIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE &c.	ALCANTARA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	SANDER, WHEELER & CO.	On 28th inst., P.M.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	ST. FILIPPA	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 24th inst.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	SCHUYLKILL	Brit. str.	—	—	STANDARD OIL CO.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	HUDSON	Brit. str.	—	—	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 23rd April.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	NUBIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th May.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 26th April.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA via JAPAN.	TELEMACUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 26th inst.
SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI & JAPAN.	MINNESOTA	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th April.
PORTLAND, OREGON	NICOMEDIA	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 11th inst., at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOB.	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 8th April, at Noon.
KOBE	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th April.
TIENTSIN	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
POOHOW, via SWATOW & AMOY	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	SANDER, WHEELER & CO.	On 23rd inst., P.M.
TAMSUI, via SWATOW & AMOY	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 24th inst.
AMOY, STRAITS & RANGOON	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst., at Daylight.
SWATOW	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at Daylight.
MANILA	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 2nd April, at Daylight.
MANILA	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at Daylight.
MANILA	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
CEBU & ILOILO	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	DOUGLAS LAPAIR & CO.	To-day, at 1 P.M.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
YAVA ROPAN, DAKAN	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 24th inst., at 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 25th inst., at 10 A.M.
	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	DOUGLAS LAPAIR & CO.	Quick despatch.
	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	DODWELL & CO., LD.	On 23rd inst.
	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Quick despatch.
	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 12th inst., at 3 P.M.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA via SHANGHAI	CEYLON	About 19th	Freight and
MOJI and KOBE	C.F. Lockstone, R.N.R.	March	Passage.
SHANGHAI	SHILA	About 24th	Freight and
	P.R. Summers	March	Passage.
LONDON, &c.	MALTA	Noon, 25th	See Special
	E.A. Peters	March	Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP	MALACCA	About 29th	Freight and
via SINGAPORE, PENANG	G.W. Babat, R.N.R.	March	Passage.
COLOMBO, PORT SAID and			
MARSEILLES			

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 L. S. LEWIS,
 Acting Superintendent.
 Longkong, 17th March, 1905.

GREAT NORTHERN
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 GEO. SUTHERLAND, NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
 GENERAL TRAFFIC MANAGER. AGENTS.
 Hongkong, 1st March, 1905. 539

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

REGULAR STEAM-SHIP SERVICES BETWEEN

HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS

AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
ANPING, via SWATOW	"DECIMA"	WEDNESDAY, 22nd
AND AMOY	SCHLIERKE	Mon., at Daylight.
TAMSUI, via SWATOW	"FRITHJOF"	SUNDAY, 26th Mar.,
AND AMOY	H. A. HARALDSEN	at Daylight.
POOHOW, via SWATOW	"TRUMPH"	WEDNESDAY, 29th
AND AMOY	A. HANSEN	Mon., at Daylight.
TAMSUI, via SWATOW	"B. JOHNSON"	SUNDAY, 2nd April,
AND AMOY	C. OLSEN	at Daylight.

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-mentioned chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal service. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.
 For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Voeux Road Central.
 Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. T. ARIMA, Manager. 14

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL
LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
 STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	... WEDNESDAY	23rd March
PRINZ HEINRICH	... WEDNESDAY	24th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	... WEDNESDAY	25th April
PREUSSEN	... WEDNESDAY	10th May
ROON	... WEDNESDAY	24th May
BAYERN	... WEDNESDAY	7th June
ZITEN	... WEDNESDAY	21st June
GNIESEN	... WEDNESDAY	5th July
SACHSEN	... WEDNESDAY	19th July
SCHLESWIG	... WEDNESDAY	2nd August
PRINZ HEINRICH	... WEDNESDAY	16th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	... WEDNESDAY	30th August

ON WEDNESDAY, 29th day of the MARCH, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD," Captain H. Kirohner, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.
 Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY, the 27th March. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 28th March, and will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 28th March.
 Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
 The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
 Linen can be washed on board.

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 MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.
 Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. 5

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.
LIMITED.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)
 FOR SHANGHAI "CHOISANG" ... Monday, 20th Mar., 4 P.M.
 "SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA" "SUISANG" ... Wednesday, 22nd Mar., 3 P.M.
 "MANILA" "LOONGSANG" ... Friday, 24th Mar., 4 P.M.
 "TIENTSIN" "ESANG" ... Monday, 27th Mar., 4 P.M.
 * These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
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 Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. 18

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.			
STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
RHENANIA Capt. Sjöbræn	MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG. (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 21st Mar. at Noon.	Freight & Passengers.
SCANDIA Capt. V. Döhrren	HAVRE & HAMBURG (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 23rd Mar.	Freight & Passengers.
SUEVIA Capt. Kniesel	HAVRE & HAMBURG (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 4th April.	Freight.
SILESIA Capt. Bahle	HAVRE & HAMBURG (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 16th April.	Freight & Passengers.
SLAVONIA Capt. Madison	HAVRE & HAMBURG (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 2nd May.	Freight & Passengers.
SEGOVIA Capt. Schenfeldt	HAVRE & HAMBURG (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 16th May.	Freight.
SENEGAMBIA Capt. Jaburg	HAVRE & HAMBURG (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 30th May.	Freight.
NUBIA Capt. Habel	NEW YORK via SUEZ with liberty to call at the Malabar coast	On 25th May.	Freight.

* Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of these steamers. Saloons and cabins amply lighted throughout by electricity.

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 THE Company's Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE"
 Captain C. H. Burch, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 20th March.
 This steamer has superior accommodation for passengers.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 27th February, 1905. 556

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship

"ZAIDA"
 Captain G. M. Symmers, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 21st inst., at DAYLIGHT.
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 Hongkong, 13th March, 1905. 689

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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THE Steamship

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 Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the M.S. "Egypt," due to London on the 6th May, 1905.
 Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
 For further particulars, apply to
 L. S. LEWIS,
 Acting Superintendent.
 Hongkong, 13th March, 1905. 11

"BENJ" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.
 THE Steamship

"BENGLOE,"
 will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 27th inst.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
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 Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. 696

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NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAPAN,
AND HAWAIIAN PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	ON	DAY
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KAIKOW"	On 22nd March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 28th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 1st April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"LAERTES"	On 8th April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 15th April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CHINGWU"	On 17th April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 21st April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMEDE"	On 24th April.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 29th April.	

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 28th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 11th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 25th April.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TELEMACHUS"	On 20th April.

For Freight, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 21st March.
KOBE	"CHINGTU"	On 23rd March.
TIENSIN	"KANSU"	On 27th March.
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 28th March.
MANILA, (PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE)	"CHINGTU"	On 8th April.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A daily qualified Surgeon is carried.
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Hongkong, 18th March, 1905.

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R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA"	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA"	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF AUSTRALIA"	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.	8,000 Tons.
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STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	First half of April	JAVA PORTS	First half of April
TJILATJAP	JAVA	First half of April	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of April
TJIMAH	JAVA	First half of April	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of April

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.
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Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1905.
Telephone No. 375.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHIP VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOBI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR
OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE
OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	Tons.	Captain	TO SAIL AT DAYLIGHT ON
NICOMEDIA	4,370	Wagner	March 31st, 1905.
NUMANTIA	4,370	Beckner	April 20th, 1905.
ARABIA	4,423	Baile	May 11th, 1905.
ARAGONIA	5,188	Schmidt	May 30th, 1905.

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Hongkong, 15th March, 1905.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR
VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA
VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons.	Captain	Sailing Date.
PLEIADES	3,753	F. G. Furlington	Thursday, March 30th
SHAWMUT	3,806	E. V. Roberts	Thursday, April 13th
TREMONT	3,986	T. W. Garlick	Friday, April 21st
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Monday, May 15th

† Cargo only.

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S.S. PLEIADES	3,753	F. G. Furlington	About 18th March.
S.S. TREMONT	3,986	T. W. Garlick	About 12th April.
S.S. LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	About 3rd May.

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RUBI	2540	A. H. Nottley	Manila.	Sat., 25th Mar., 10 A.M.
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"SIKH"	Captain J. Rowley.
"INKULA"	Captain Dean.
"KATHERINE PARK"	Captain Copp.

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, 10th February, 1905.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR KUPAT AND SANDAKAN.
Taking Cargo at Through Rates to
TAWAU, LAHAD DATU, LABUAN, JOLO,
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THE Company's Steamship

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above ports on TUESDAY, the 21st inst.
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Hongkong, 15th February, 1905.



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA
AND KOBE.
THE Company's Steamship

"TRIESTE."
Captain Mecozzi, will leave for the above
places on THURSDAY, the 23rd inst., P.M.
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SANDELL, WIELER & CO.,
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Hongkong, 18th March, 1905.

FOR NEW YORK
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
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THE Steamship
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Captain Nicholas, due here on April 1st, will
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Hongkong, 4th August, 1904.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904.

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Albatross, sloop, in reserve, Hongkong
Amphitrite, 1st class cruiser, 11,000 tons, 18,000
h.p., Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O.,
Hongkong
Andromeda, cruiser, 12,500 tons, Capt. Nelson
Omanney, Hongkong
Astraea, 2nd class cruiser, 4,300 tons, 10 guns,
7,000 h.p., Captain Lionel G. Tufnell,
Hongkong
Brumby, gunboat, in reserve, Hongkong
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Centurion, battleship, 10,500 tons, Capt. Fegen,
Hongkong
Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns,
5,700 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Stevenson, Hong-
kong
Glory, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, 13,500
h.p., Capt. Hon. W. G. Stopford, Hongkong
Handy, torpedo-boat destroyer, 230 tons, 6 guns,
4,000 h.p., in reserve
Hart, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns,
4,000 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Richards, Hong-
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Fawcett, Amoy
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Lieut.-Comdr. F. B. Noble, Hongkong
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h.p., Captain Greet, C.M.G., Hongkong
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reserve
Phoenix, sloop, in reserve, Hongkong
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Chas. E. Monro, Hongkong
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h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Vaughan, West River
Rosario, sloop, in reserve, Hongkong
Sandpiper, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 24
h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. H. T. Atlay, West River
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Comdr. Secretan, on Yangtze
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